

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Johnny M. Matta

Application No.: 09/965,437

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For: LAYER THREE QUALITY OF SERVICE AWARE TRIGGER

Examiner: Melur Ramakrishnaiah

Art Unit: 2614

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a) AFTER ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Although the above-identified application has been allowed, applicants respectfully request that the application be amended pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a) as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, please replace the paragraph beginning on line 9 with the following paragraph:

Digital data networks have become a ubiquitous part of business, commerce, and personal life throughout the United States and the world. The public Internet and private local and wide area networks (LANs and WANs) have become increasingly Application No. 09/965,437